

## Center of Excellence for Food Safety Research in Child Nutrition Programs



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## Agenda

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| ■ Introduction | 10-15 minutes |
| ■ Q & A        | 15-20 minutes |

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## Child Nutrition Programs

- National School Lunch Program
  - 31.3 million children served each day
  - \$9.8 billion in FY 2009
  - 101,000 schools
- School Breakfast Program
  - 11 million children served each day
  - \$2.9 billion in FY 2009
  - 87,000 schools

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## Child Nutrition Programs, cont

- Child and Adult Care Food Program
  - 3.2 million children
  - 112,000 adults
  - \$2.5 billion
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program
  - \$150 million annual in 2011-2012
- After school snack program
- Summer Feeding Program

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## Programs

- Size: very small to very large
- Location: rural, suburban, urban
- Age: infants to 18

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## Some Current Issues

- Run the gamut: before it reaches the school, in the school, and outside of the school, such as:
  - Fresh produce purchases (farms)
  - School cafeterias: food handling, employee health
  - Most common cause of illness: norovirus
  - Extracurricular activities: school gardens

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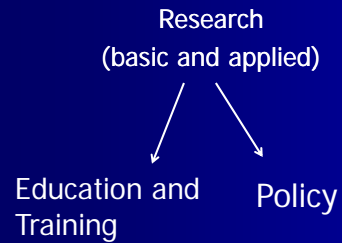
## Center Goals

1. Must be a multidisciplinary approach to basic and applied food safety research needs related to CNP.
2. Conduct applied studies to resolve food safety issues.
3. Convey research results



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## Center Focus



## Key Considerations

- Nationwide application
- Must relate to school food service and food safety needs outside that arena
- Methods to determine what research is needed
- How research will meet these needs
- Multidisciplinary



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## Questions



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